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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE'S MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER
VORSTER

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1. PRIME MINISTER DIOUF, ACTING CHIEF OF STATE DURING
SENGHOR'S THREE-WEEK ABSENCE IN EUROPE, RECEIVED ME FOR HALF
HOUR APRIL 4 FOR BRIEFING ON VICE PRESIDENT'S UPCOMING MAY 19
MEETING WITH VORSTER.

2. DIOUF HAD ME REPEAT AND HE CAREFULLY NOTED PARAS 9 THROUGH
11 OF REFTEL. HE ACKNOWLEDGED SENSITIVE NATURE OF BRIEFING,
AND WELCOMED FACT THAT USG CHOSE TO SHARE BACKGROUND ON IMPORTANT
MEETING WITH SENEGALESE GOVERNMENT.

3. DIOUF FOUND IT ESPECIALLY SIGNIFICANT THAT US AT HIGHEST
LEVEL WAS NOW PREPARED TO MAKE CLEAR TO SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME
MINISTER OUR VIEW OF PRESSING NEED FOR RAPID CHANGE WITHIN
SOUTH AFRICA ITSELF AND TO INDICATE THAT THIS CHANGE
SHOULD BE CONCURRENT WITH, RATHER THAN ONLY CONSECUTIVE TO,
INDEPENDENCE FOR NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE. HE HOPED US WOULD CONTINUE
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PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA USING OUR MOST CONVINCING ARGUMENTS
AND MEANS OF PERSUASION. ONLY RELENTLESS EFFORT, UNDISTURBED
BY MAJOR CRISES AND CONCERNS ELSEWHERE, WOULD GIVE PEACEFUL
SOLUTION A CHANCE.

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